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Of Attorneys for Defendant Senvoy, LLC

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF OREGON

SUMNER P. WALTERS,

Case No.

Plaintiff,

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

v.

SENVOY, LLC,

Defendant.

TO THE CLERK OF THE COURT:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to 28 USC §§ 1441 and 1146, Defendant Senvoy, LLC, hereby removes to this Court the case now pending in Multnomah County Circuit Court as *Sumner P. Walters v. Senvoy, LLC*, Case No. 0710-11790.

As grounds for removal, Defendant Senvoy, LLC states as follows:

1. On October 15, 2007, plaintiff Sumner P. Walters filed a complaint in this action in Multnomah County Circuit Court entitled *Sumner P. Walters v. Senvoy, LLC*, Case No. 0710-11790. Pursuant to 28 USC § 1446(a), a copy of all process, pleadings, and orders served upon and/or provided to the defendant at the time of removal, consisting of (1) summons, (2)

complaint, (3) request for production with correspondence from plaintiff's attorney, (4) proof of service with correspondence from plaintiff's attorney, are attached as Exhibits 1-4.

- 2. This Notice of Removal is timely filed under 28 USC § 1446(b), which provides that a notice of removal must be filed within 30 days after a defendant receives, by service or otherwise, the initial pleading. As of the date of filing this Notice of Removal, defendant had been served with process and/or otherwise provided with a copy of a summons and complaint. This action was filed on October 15, 2007, and the earliest defendant was provided with a copy of the complaint was October 15, 2007.
- 3. No further proceedings have been had in the Circuit Court of Multnomah County, Oregon, as of the date of filing of this removal.
- 4. This is a civil action over which this court has original jurisdiction pursuant to 28 USC § 1331. This action may be removed pursuant to 28 USC § 1441(b) because two of the claims asserted in this action arise under federal statutes, specifically the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 USC § 201 et seq.

REMOVAL TO THIS DISTRICT IS PROPER.

- 5. Pursuant to 28 USC §§ 1331, 1441, and 1446, removal of the above-captioned state court action to this Court is appropriate.
- 6. Pursuant to 28 USC § 1441(a), removal is made to this Court as the district and division embracing the place where the state action is pending.

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7. Defendant Senvoy, LLC, is providing to the plaintiff, through his counsel, written notice of the filing of this Notice of Removal. Furthermore, Defendant Senvoy, LLC is filing a copy of this Notice of Removal with the Clerk of the Circuit court of Multnomah County, Oregon, where the action is currently pending.

DATED this 13 day of November, 2007.

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By:

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Of Attorneys for Defendant Senvoy, LLC

1	IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON		
2	,	No. © 7/0 - 11790	
3	Plaintiff,		
4	SENVOY, LLC	SUMMONS	
5	To:DAVID E GREIN, RA, SENVOY, LLC 1030 SW MORRISON, PORTLAND OR 97205		
6	You are hereby required to appear and defend the complaint filed against you in the above entitled action within thirty (30)		
7	days from the date of service of this summons upon you, and in case of your failure to do so, for want thereof, plaintiff(s) will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint.		
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9	NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY! You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically.		
10	To "appear" you must file with the court a Attorney for Plaintiff		
11	legal paper called a "motion" or "answer." The "motion" or "answer" must be given toANN B. WI'	TTE OSB#77077	
12	the court clerk or administrator within Attorney's Name (printed) Bar No.		
	30 days along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of _812 SW WASHINGTON, #910		
13	service on the plaintiff's attorney or, Address if the plaintiff does not have an attorney,		
14	proof of service upon the plaintiff. PORTLAND, OREGON 97205 (503)223-6066		
15	If you have any questions, you City State Zip Phone should see an attorney immediately. If you		
16	need help finding an attorney, you may call the		
17	Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Trial Attorney (if other than above) Bar No. Service at (503) 684-3763 or toll-free in Oregon at (800) 452-7636.		
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20	original summons in the above entitled action.		
21	Attorney of record for Plaintiff(s)		
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	TO THE OFFICER OR OTHER PERSON SERVING THIS SUMMONS: You are hereby directed to serve a true copy		
23	this summons, together with a true copy of the complaint mentioned therein, upon the individual(s) or other legal entity(ies) to whom this summons is directed, and to make your proof of service on a		
24	separate document which you shall attach hereto.	a, and to make your proof of service on a	
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26	Attorney for Plaintiff		
27	ANN BERRYHILL WITTE, Attorney at Law		
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Filed 11/13/07 Page 5 of 13 **ENTERED** OCT 1 5 2007 1 FILED IN REGISTER BY LR 2 2007 OCT 15 PM 2: 04 3 CIRCUIT COURT IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE O 5 FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY 11790 6 SUMNER P. WALTERS Plaintiff, COMPLAINT (Wages) 8 -VS-SENVOY, LLC OVER \$10,000 9 Defendant. ARBITRATION ELIGIBLE 10 Common Allegations: 11 1. 12 Between Oct. 3, 2005 and March 6, 2007, Defendant has been engaged in the parcel 13 delivery business, operating a dispatch office at 1215 SE 8th Ave., and later at 115 SE Yamhill 14 St., Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon. Defendant employed Plaintiff in that business 15 during that time. At the time Plaintiff was hired, he agreed to a wage of \$7.25 per hour. The 16 wage increased to \$7.50 on Jan. 1, 2006, and to \$7.80 on Jan. 1, 2007. 17 18 Plaintiff was required to drive his own vehicle to pick up and deliver parcels. Senvoy's 19 agent agreed to reimburse Plaintiff for automobile expenses. In addition, Senvoy's agent 20 agreed to pay Plaintiff a commission of 50% of each delivery fee. 21 3. 22 During the entire time Plaintiff was employed by Defendant, Defendant did not keep accurate 23 records of Plaintiff's hours of work and did not pay Plaintiff minimum wages and overtime wages as 24 required by Oregon law, or commissions as promised. Plaintiff is entitled to attorney fees under ORS 25 652.200(2) and ORS 653.055(4). 26 ANN BERRYHILL WITTE, Attorney at Law 27 812 SW Washington, #910 Portland, Oregon 97205 28 (503) 223-6066 EXHIBIT

4. 2 Plaintiff caused a demand letter to be sent to Defendant on March 12, 2007, and Defendant paid some wages, in the amount of \$592.80 on March 14, 2007. Defendant 3 has not paid the remainder of wages due, or any penalty wages. 5 For his first claim for relief, Plaintiff alleges: 6 5. Defendant failed to pay \$11,952.88 in state-required minimum wages. Plaintiff is 7 entitled to penalty wages of \$1,872.00 in addition to his unpaid minimum wages. 8 For his second claim for relief, Plaintiff alleges: 9 10 6. Defendant failed to pay Plaintiff \$1,218.92 in state-required overtime wages. Plaintiff 11 is entitled to penalty wages of \$1,872.00 in addition to his unpaid overtime wages. 12 13 For a third claim for relief, Plaintiff alleges: 14 7. When Plaintiff was discharged from employment on March 6, 2007, Defendant did 15 16 not pay his wages or commissions by the end of the next business day. 17 8. Plaintiff is entitled to penalty wages of \$1,872.00 for failure to pay upon discharge. 18 19 For his fourth claim for relief, Plaintiff alleges further: 20 During the time Plaintiff worked for Defendant, Defendant failed to pay commissions of approximately \$10,000.00 to which Plaintiff is entitled. 22 For his fifth claim for relief, Plaintiff alleges further: 23 24 10. During the time Plaintiff worked for Defendant, Defendant failed to pay federal-25 26

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required minimum wages. Defendant owes Plaintiff \$5,213.18 in federal-minimum wages and Plaintiff is also entitled to liquidated damages of \$5,213.18.

For his sixth claim for relief, Plaintiff alleges further:

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During 2006 and 2007, Defendant failed to pay Plaintiff federal-required overtime pay in the amount of \$1,218.92. Plaintiff is entitled to that amount together with liquidated damages of \$1,218.92.

For his seventh claim for relief, Plaintiff alleges further:

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On or about March 5, 2007, Defendant employed 25 or more persons in the State of Oregon for each working day during each of 20 or more calendar workweeks. On or about March 5, 2007, Plaintiff gave oral notice to Defendant's agent that he was unable to come to work because his child was ill and needed him to provide home care.

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Defendant then and there committed the unlawful employment practice of refusing to allow Plaintiff to exercise his right to family leave, and terminated Plaintiff's contract of employment. Plaintiff was injured and is entitled to reinstatement in his former position with back pay.

Wherefore, Plaintiffs pray for judgment against Defendant as follows:

- 1. On his first claim, \$11,952.88 plus \$1,872.00;
- 2. On his second claim, \$1,218.92 plus \$1,872.00;
- 3. On his third claim, \$1,872.00;
- 4. On his fourth claim, \$10,000.00;
- 5. On his fifth claim, \$5,213.18 plus \$5,213.18;
- 6. On his sixth claim, \$1,218.92 plus \$1,218.92;

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7. On his seventh claim, reinstatement with back pay, and

8. Costs and disbursements including reasonable attorney fees.

Dated:October 15, 2007

Ann B. Witte, OSB #77077 Attorney for Plaintiffs

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY SUMNER P. WALTERS No. 0710-11790 Plaintiff, REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION -vs-SENVOY, LLC Defendant. TO: Senvoy, LLC, through your attorney, John D. Parsons: Pursuant to ORCP 43, defendant requests that plaintiff produce for inspection and copying, by Nov. 26, 2007, at the offices of ANN BERRYHILL WITTE, 812 SW Washington, #910, Portland, OR 97205, the documents set forth below. 1. Any written employment contract between the parties; or written policy. 2. Record of payments by Senvoy to Plaintiff, including copies of all checks, all calculations of amounts to be paid and deductions therefrom, and particularly including all calculations of mileage reimbursements and commissions. 3. Documents of Plaintiff's employment record which are used or have been used to determine the employee's qualification for employment, promotion, additional compensation or employment termination or other disciplinary action. 4. All records of mileage traveled by Plaintiff, The actual hours worked each week and each pay period by Plaintiff Dated: November 6, 2006 Ann B. Witte, OSB# 77077 812 SW Washington, #910 Portland, OR 97205 (503) 223-6066 Fax: (503) 223-0903

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John D. Parsons 1030 SW Morrison St. Portland, Or 97205

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Re: Walters v. Senvoy, LLC

PARSONS FARNELL & GREIN, LLP

Dear Mr. Parsons,

Because of the length of time Mr. Walters worked for Senvoy, the records are voluminous. I am willing to devote some time to discovery before insisting on an answer. I enclose a copy of our proof of service and our first request for production of documents.

I also look forward to working with you on this interesting case.

Sincerely,

ANN BERRYHILL WITTE Attorney at Law

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October 16, 2007

DAVID E GREIN, RA, SENVOY, LLC 1030 SW MORRISON ST. PORTLAND OR 97205

Re: Walters v. Senvoy LLC , Mult. Co. 0710-11790

Dear Senvoy,

Your registered agent was served, by office service given to Karly, with true copies of the Summons and Complaint in the above-referenced matter on Monday, Oct. 15, 2007 at 2:20 pm.

By this mailing, I complete service.

Sincerely,

ANN BERRYHILL WITTE

Attorney at Law

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing NOTICE OF REMOVAL was served on:

Ann Berryhill Witte Attorney at Law 812 SW Washington # 910 Portland, OR 97205 Fax: (503) 223-0903

E-mail: awitte@ipns.com

by the following indicated method or methods:

Dated this 1374 day of November, 2007.

<u>X</u> _	by mailing a full, true and correct copy thereof in a sealed, first-class postage-paid envelope, and addressed to the attorney as shown above, to the last-known office address of the attorney, and deposited with the United States Postal Service at Portland, Oregon on the date set forth below.
	by faxing a full, true and correct copy thereof, addressed to the attorney as shown above, to the facsimile number of the attorney on the date set forth below.
	by causing a full, true and correct copy thereof to be hand-delivered to the attorney at the attorney's last-known office address listed above on the date set forth below.
	by sending a full, true and correct copy thereof via overnight courier in a sealed, prepaid envelope, addressed to the attorney as shown above, to the last-known office address of the attorney, on the date set forth below.
	by transmitting with electronic mail a full, true and correct copy thereof to the attorney at the e-mail address number shown above, which is the last-known e-mail address for the attorney's office, on the date set forth below.

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